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TO: REGIONAL DIRECTORS, COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS

DISTRICT DIRECTORS, AREA AND PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, IMPORT SPECIALIST DIVISION

RE: COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDER ON SULFANILIC ACID FROM
INDIA

1. ON FEBRUARY 24, 1993, THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION (ITC) PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ITS DETERMINATION THAT IMPORTS OF SULFANILIC ACID FROM INDIA THREATEN INJURY TO A U.S. INDUSTRY. AS A RESULT THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ON MARCH 2, 1993, NOTICE OF ITS COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDER.

2. THE PRODUCTS COVERED BY THIS INVESTIGATION ARE ALL GRADES OF SULFANILIC ACID, WHICH INCLUDE TECHNICAL (OR CRUDE) SULFANILIC ACID REFINED (OR PURIFIED) SULFANILIC ACID AND SODIUM SALT OF

SULFANILIC ACID (SODIUM SULFANILATE).

SULFANILIC ACID IS A SYNTHETIC ORGANIC CHEMICAL PRODUCED FROM THE DIRECT SULFONATION OF ANILINE WITH SULFURIC ACID. SULFANILIC ACID IS USED AS A RAW MATERIAL IN THE PRODUCTION OF OPTICAL BRIGHTENERS, FOOD COLORS, SPECIALTY DYES, AND CONCRETE ADDITIVES. THE PRINCIPAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE GRADES ARE THE UNDESIRABLE QUANTITIES OF RESIDUAL ANILINE AND ALKALI INSOLUBLE MATERIALS PRESENT IN THE SULFANILIC ACID. ALL GRADES ARE AVAILABLE AS DRY FREE FLOWING POWDERS.

TECHNICAL SULFANILIC ACID, CLASSIFIABLE UNDER THE SUBHEADING 2921.42.2800 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES ("HTSUS"), CONTAINS 96 PERCENT MINIMUM SULFANILIC ACID, 1.0 PERCENT MAXIMUM ANILINE, AND 1.0 PERCENT MAXIMUM ALKALI INSOLUBLE MATERIALS. REFINED SULFANILIC ACID, ALSO CLASSIFIABLE UNDER THE HTSUS SUBHEADING 2921.42.2800, CONTAINS 98 PERCENT MINIMUM SULFANILIC ACID, 0.5 PERCENT MAXIMUM ANILINE, AND 0.25 PERCENT MAXIMUM ALKALI INSOLUBLE MATERIALS. SODIUM SALT OF SULFANILIC ACID (SODIUM SULFANILATE), CLASSIFIABLE UNDER THE HTSUS SUBHEADING 2921.42.7500 IS A GRANULAR OR CRYSTALLINE MATERIAL CONTAINING 75 PERCENT MINIMUM SULFANILIC ACID, 0.5 PERCENT MAXIMUM ANILINE, AND 0.25 PERCENT MAXIMUM ALKALI INSOLUBLE MATERIALS BASED ON THE EQUIVALENT SULFANILIC ACID CONTENT.

ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, OUR WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THIS ORDER IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES, THIS COUNTERVAILING DUTY CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER C-533-807.

4. BECAUSE THE ITC DETERMINED THAT IMPORTS OF SULFANILIC ACID FROM INDIA ONLY THREATEN MATERIAL INJURY TO, RATHER THAN MATERIALLY INJURE, A U.S. INDUSTRY, ONLY ENTRIES MADE ON OR AFTER THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE ITC DETERMINATION ARE SUBJECT TO SUSPENSION OF LIQUIDATION AND POTENTIAL ASSESSMENT OF

COUNTERVAILING DUTIES. ENTRIES MADE PRIOR TO THE PUBLICATION OF THE ITC DETERMINATION ARE NO LONGER SUBJECT TO SUSPENSION OF LIQUIDATION OR EVENTUAL DUTY LIABILITY.

5. FOR ENTRIES OF THE MERCHANDISE ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION, BEFORE FEBRUARY 24, 1993, CUSTOMS FIELD OFFICES SHOULD TERMINATE THE SUSPENSION OF LIQUIDATION, RELEASE ANY BOND OR OTHER SECURITY AND REFUND ANY CASH DEPOSIT MADE TO SECURE THE PAYMENT OF COUNTERVAILING DUTIES ON ENTRIES OF SULFANILIC ACID .

6. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDER, FIELD OFFICES SHOULD SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF ENTRIES OF THIS MERCHANDISE FROM INDIA MADE ON OR AFTER FEBRUARY 24, 1993, AND AS OF THAT DATE COLLECT A CASH DEPOSIT EQUAL TO THE ESTIMATED NET SUBSIDY RATE OF 43.71 PERCENT AD VALOREM.

7. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, THEY SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE IMPORT SPECIALIST DIVISION. OTHER AGENCY BRANCH, CUSTOMS HEADQUARTERS ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB." THE IMPORT PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT PAULO MENDES OR MAGD ZALOK OF THE OFFICE OF COUNTERVAILING INVESTIGATIONS, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. TELEPHONE: (202) 482-5050 OR (202) 482-4162, RESPECTIVELY.

THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION.

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